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SUBJ: SPECIAL PROGRAM FOR DUTCH JOURNALISTS COVERING NATO SUMMIT.

REF: THE HAGUE 1063; USIA 6111; USICA 4888.

1. POST HAS BEEN CONTACTED BY TWELVE DUTCH JOURNALISTS WHO WISH SPECIAL BRIEFINGS BEFORE NATO SUMMIT. THESE IN ADDITION TO DUTCH CORRESPONDENTS WHO BASED IN WASHINGTON AND NEW YORK SOME OF WHOM BEING ASKED BY EDITORS HERE TO ATTEND BRIEFINGS IF POSSIBLE.

2. ALL JOURNALISTS ARRIVING BEFORE MAY 27, MOST WILL BE IN WASHINGTON BY MAY 25. PREFER BRIEFINGS ON MAY 25 AND 26. ALL JOURNALISTS HAVE INDICATED WILLINGNESS BE PROGRAMMED ON WEEKEND AND MAY 29, EVEN THOUGH THIS IS HOLIDAY AND ARRANGEMENTS MAY BE IMPOSSIBLE.

3. FOLLOWING ARE SUGGESTIONS FOR BRIEFINGS IN PRIORITY ORDER:

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A. NON-PROLIFERATION POLICY. THIS IS MOST IMPORTANT SUBJECT FOR ALL VISITING JOURNALISTS. REQUEST BRIEFING BY JOSEPH NYE.

B. EAST-WEST RELATIONS FOLLOWING BELGRADE. REQUEST MEETINGS WITH MEMBER OF U.S. DELEGATION TO BELGRADE, SUCH AS STATE COUNSELOR NIMITZ AND WITH CONGRESSIONAL MEMBER OF CSCE COMMISSION, SUCH AS REPRESENTATIVE

FASCELL.

C. HUMAN RIGHTS. MEETING WITH ASST. SECRETARY DERIAN.

D. ARMS CONTROL: MEETING WITH SENIOR ACDA OR STATE
OFFICIALS ON SSOD, SALT AND MBFR.

4. FOLLOWING ARE NATO RELATED SUBJECTS WHICH WE ASSUME WILL
BE COVERED IN DISCUSSIONS AROUND SUMMIT, BUT IN WHICH
DUTCH MEDIA HAVE EXPRESSED INTEREST: EAST-WEST RELATIONS;
LONG TERM DEFENSE PLAN; TRANS-ATLANTIC ARMS PRODUCTION.
IF POSSIBLE WOULD LIKE TO INCLUDE DUTCH JOURNALISTS WHO
ARE THERE IN MAY 25 MEETING WITH AMBASSADOR KOMER.

5. SEVERAL JOURNALISTS HAVE ALSO EXPRESSED DESIRE FOR
BRIEFINGS ON SOUTHERN AFRICA, LATIN AMERICA AND ASIA.

6. MOST JOURNALISTS LEAVING WASHINGTON JUNE 1 FOR NEW YORK
TO COVER SSOD WHERE DUTCH FORMIN VAN DER KLAAUW SPEAKS
JUNE 2. IF POSSIBLE, REQUEST BRIEFING WITH AMBASSADOR
YOUNG ANY TIME DURING THOSE TWO DAYS EXCEPT WHEN
VAN DER KLAAUW SCHEDULED TO SPEAK. SUBJECTS: HUMAN
RIGHTS, U.S. AFRICAN POLICY, SSOD.

7. HAGUE INFORMATION OFFICER GILLESPIE ARRIVING WASHINGTON
MAY 18. JOURNALISTS WILL RECEIVE LETTER ASKING THEM
TO CONTACT GILLESPIE OR HOWARD AT FPC AS SOON AS POSSIBLE
AFTER ARRIVAL. GILLESPIE WILL BE AVAILABLE TO ASSIST IN
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ANY WAY POSSIBLE FOR BRIEFINGS AND THROUGH SUMMIT.

8. PARTICIPATING DUTCH JOURNALISTS FROM NETHERLANDS AND
BRUSSELS ARE:

D. VAN DER AART - NOS JOURNAAL TV

S. VAN DER ZEE - NRC HANDELSBLAD

F. MINGELEN - TROUW

B. TICHELAAR - NCRV

D. VERKIJK - NOS JOURNAAL RADIO

J. GERRITSEN - G.P. D.

G. ARBOUS - A.N. P.

H. ABEN - ALGEMEEN DAGBLAD

H. HANSEN - DE VOLKSKRANT

F. BLETZ - HET PAROOL

P. SCHROEDER - AVRO RADIO

9. POST ALSO EXPECTS FOLLOWING U.S.-BASED CORRESPONDENTS
TO JOIN FOR ALL OR PART OF BRIEFINGS:

ERIC BOOGERMAN - NRC HANDELSBLAD

HENK KOLB - G.P. D.

NICO HAASBROEK - VRIJE VOLK

FONS VAN WESTERLOO - AVRO.

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